



What the Idaho Community Forestry Program Can Do For You and Your Community:

- Provide information and training on applying for community forestry cost-share grants.
- Work with your community to attain and maintain Tree City USA status. If your community is already a Tree City, help with earning the "Tree City USA Growth Award".
- Provide information and training on developing and/or improving a community forestry program.
- Provide community forestry workshops and education programs.
- Assist your community in developing a shade tree committee or advisory board, and help them develop their goals and be effective and informed tree program leaders for their community.
- Help new and existing shade tree committees assess their community forest to determine program needs and develop program work plans.
- Support (in a variety of ways) your community's efforts to instruct your city council about the benefits of trees and the need for a community forestry program.
- Provide information on why it is both hazardous and expensive to top trees, and how to properly prune trees.
- Advise you when you need to hire a reputable, certified arborist for controversial or hazard tree issues.
- Provide ideas for involving volunteers in local projects; training is also available for project leaders and volunteers.
- Suggest different and fun ways to celebrate Arbor Day that involve the entire community.
- Recommend ways to resolve and avoid tree-sign, tree-sidewalk, and tree-utility line conflicts.

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- Provide community forestry-related curricula to teachers through the Arbor Day Poster Contest each spring.
 - Put you in touch with leaders in other communities that are working with the same tree issues you are.
 - Provide information and perspective on tree ordinances from other cities in Idaho. (We can also send you a model tree ordinance for small communities.)
 - Offer suggestions for funding your community forestry program.
 - Notify you about upcoming community forestry related events and opportunities.
 - Help mediate tree-related community conflicts.
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If you would like to find out more about what a Community Forestry Program staff member can do for you and your community, please contact us:

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